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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Confirmation No.: 2400  
Marc VALENCE et al. Group Art Unit: 3725  
Application No.: 10/533,913 Examiner: Lowell A. LARSON  
Filed: May 5, 2005 Attorney Docket No.: 103120-00066  
For: METHOD FOR INCREASING THE RANGE OF PRODUCTION OF A METAL  
PRODUCT ROLLING INSTALLATION AND INSTALLATION THEREFOR

## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 15, 2006

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the Office Action dated July 18, 2006, from October 18, 2006, to December 18, 2006.

Check number 457993 in the amount of \$450.00 is attached for payment of the required extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment with respect to this communication to Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket Number 103120-00066.

Respectfully submitted,

Respectfully submitted,  
  
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